

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF, CENTRAL PLANNING STAFF

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Subject: Proposed Memorandum for Intelligence Advisory Board, Subject:
Disposition of [REDACTED]

1. The memorandum submitted by the Acting Chief, Information Branch, on above subject, is considered incomplete for the following reasons:

a. It is not adequate in scope and requires that the Board consider the report of the ad hoc committee as well as the proposed memorandum in order to arrive at a decision.

b. The conclusion contained in sub-paragraph III-1 is not substantiated by the discussion.

c. The conclusion contained in III-2 and the recommendations contained in paragraph IV are not completed staff actions.

2. Furthermore, the subject conclusions and recommendations are not concurred in, based upon a review of the report of the ad hoc committee and of the memorandum for the Chief, Central Planning Staff, dated 9 April 1946 and of the subject memorandum.

3. It is believed that the following action is required in order to prepare a suitable memorandum for the Intelligence Advisory Board:

a. The problem should be stated specifically and in sufficient detail.

b. The discussion should bring out the pertinent points relative to the subject, to include:

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(1) The functions [REDACTED]

(2) The value of [REDACTED] PEC

(3) The organization of [REDACTED] in general terms.

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(4) The present operational control of [REDACTED]

(5) Any pertinent problems concerning [REDACTED]

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such as the necessary administration and supply and the communication facilities.

(6) A clear-cut statement of the relationship between the requirements of State, War, and Navy for the product.

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(7) A sound conclusion, based not upon an interim solution necessarily, but upon a permanent solution as seen at this time.

(8) Appropriate recommendations, based upon the conclusion.

(9) Conclusions and recommendations which presuppose directives to be issued by the C.I.G. should be in sufficient detail to provide for the system by which such directives will be issued. This might include provisions for a standing committee to give direction to this activity.

4. It is believed that the Central Intelligence Group is definitely involved in the operation of this type of agency and that the exact extent of its responsibilities should be clearly defined.

5. It is recommended that a new planning directive be issued instructing the Information Branch to prepare the necessary action to accomplish the above, or in the event that it is not desired to return this problem to the Information Branch for action, to direct the Policy and Review Branch to prepare the necessary actions.

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